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METHOD FOR DOWN-REGULATING OSTEOPROTEGERIN LIGAND ACTIVITY

## <u>REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111</u>

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 October 29, 2004

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated April 29, 2004, the period for response having been extended three (3) months to October 29, 2004, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes Amendments to the Claims and Remarks.